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DEPARTMENT FOR NP/CBM, NEA/ARP

E.O. 12958: DECL: 12/18/2014  
TAGS: [PARM](#) [MTCRE](#) [ETTC](#) [PREL](#) [MNUC](#) [IR](#) [TC](#)  
SUBJECT: MTAG: IMMINENT MISSILE-RELATED TRANSFER BY A UAE  
FIRM TO IRAN (C)

REF: A. DECEMBER 18 E-MAIL THORNE-ALBRIGHT  
[1](#)B. STATE 267982  
[1](#)C. ABU DHABI 3642

(U) Classified by CDA Richard Albright for reasons 1.4 (b),  
(d), and (h).

[1](#)1. (S) Charge delivered reftel points on a missile related  
transfer to MFA U/S Abdullah Rashid Al-Noaimi on December 18.

Charge stressed the concern that this equipment would be  
used to support Iran's ballistic missile program. He  
explained that the Embassy had already passed on the relevant  
information to the Dubai State Security Organization, which  
would be inspecting the container on December 18. Charge  
added that, if our suspicions about the item proved accurate,  
we would work with the government of the country of origin to  
determine whether the export violated its export control law.

If so, we would expect that government to request return of  
the item from the UAEG.

[1](#)2. (S) Al-Noaimi thanked Charge for the information, saying  
the UAEG was comfortable proceeding on this basis, as it had  
on another case involving China. He asked whether the  
Western Continent General Trading was on the list of  
companies that the UAE had passed on as part of its "watch  
list." (ref C) Charge replied that it was not, but noted  
that the managing director of this company had a history of  
diversion. (Note: Western Continent is not on the UAE's list  
of companies, however, another company with the same managing  
director, "Noor Al-Fath General Trading Company" is on the  
list. Noor Al-Fath is under Department of Commerce  
investigation for diversion of licensed police items to  
Iran.)

13. (S) Al-Noaimi said that he would check to see whether Dubai Customs would require additional authorization to hold the shipment for longer than "a normal transshipment time." He explained that the UAEG could hold the item for a while to investigate the shipment based on this demarche, but would eventually need "an official request" from the country of origin requesting the UAEG to continue to hold or to return the item.  
ALBRIGHT